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## NATIONAL WHIG NOMINATIONS.

FOR PRESIDENT,  
**GENERAL WINFIELD SCOTT,**  
OF NEW JERSEY.

FOR VICE PRESIDENT,  
**WILLIAM A. GRAHAM,**  
OF NORTH CAROLINA.

A meeting of the officers of the Washington Whig Club will be held this evening, 8 o'clock, at Copp's Saloon. A full attendance is desirable.

WALTER LENOX,  
President.

The regular meeting of the Washington Whig Club will take place to-morrow evening.

Minister to England—Secretary of the Navy—Minister to Mexico.

We have been informed this morning on what we regard as reliable authority that the Hon. Abbott Lawrence has positively tendered his resignation as minister to the Court of St. James, and that Mr. Webster or Mr. Crittenden will be nominated to succeed him.

We further learn that Judge Chambers, of Maryland, has declined the tendered appointment of Secretary of the Navy.

We also learn that Judge Conkling, of New York, was yesterday nominated to the United States Senate for the office of Minister to the Republic of Mexico.

## Political Deception.

The manifest intention of our opponents to dupe the American people by letters, declarations, and platforms of chameleon hue, should surely excite their indignation and scorn. A more perfect specimen of this species of fraud than the "Kane letter" was probably never put forth until the recent Democratic Convention smuggled into existence its confounding and crafty platform. Let any fair and candid man peruse the following:

"Resolved, That the constitution does not confer upon the general government the power to commence and carry on a general system of internal improvements."

What does this mean? Does it deny that Congress has the power to commence a general system of internal improvements? By no means.

Does it deny that Congress has the power to carry on a general system of internal improvements? By no means. It simply declares that Congress has not the power to "commence and carry on" such a system. There is wide latitude for evasion here.

And then, again, it does not forbid the commencement and carrying on, both or either, of any special works of internal improvements desired by any particular portions of the Union. All that it forbids is works coming under the head of "a general system;" and what description of works shall be so classed is yet, we believe, an undetermined question.

The resolution, therefore, is without practical application or significance, and was merely written under the presumption that votes could be caught by this seeming strict construction of the constitution.

If the men who thus resolved had but known the principles of their own nominees, they might have spared the necessity of this disreputable electioneering trick; for it happens that upon this subject he stands fully committed upon the record as the deadly foe of every measure of improvement by the general government. The channels and harbors of our rivers, lakes, and bays, are alike to him objects concerning which the general government has nothing to do. He indeed is committed in fact, where the Convention only desired to have a seeming commitment. The Democratic party must therefore make a virtue of necessity, and give a full anti-improvement interpretation to their own resolution. This will answer well enough among the ignorant, the careless, and the disinterested; but there are many Democrats who will never submit to so narrow-minded and unpatriotic an interpretation of the constitution of their country.

The Whigs have spoken with reference to this subject, and their language admits of but one interpretation. It is in the following words:

"Resolved, That the constitution vests in CONGRESS the power to open and repair harbors and remove obstructions from navigable rivers, AND IT IS EXPEDIENT THAT CONGRESS SHOULD EXERCISE SUCH POWER, said improvements being, in every instance, NATIONAL AND GENERAL IN THEIR CHARACTER."

There is no possibility here of equivocation or evasion. Citizens of one locality cannot be told, in view of this, that the public treasure is not to be expended even in the improvement of our national marine highways, while those who dwell contiguous to such thoroughfares shall be assured that the necessary improvements they need do not come under the ban levied at "a general system of internal improvements!" There is no underground work here. Our views and purposes are national, as our party is national: our principles are set forth in good faith, and so shall we abide by them. It is for the American people to decide whether they will be again duped by an artful and designing horde of political managers, who seek nothing but their votes, and these only as a means of gaining access to place, power, and the dispensation of patronage.

Montgomery County, Maryland,  
Extracts from the Rockville Journal of Saturday last:

"We have not heard of a single death from harvesting in our county, this season, notwithstanding the intensity of the heat. This is doubtless to be attributed to the entire absence of ardent spirits from the fields. Very few harvest hands will touch liquor at work, and, indeed, very few of our colored laborers use it at all."

"J. Mortimore Kilgore, esq., of our county, delivered a very handsome and impressive discourse on Tuesday evening, the 5th instant, upon the life and character of Henry Clay."

"General Scott will carry this county by an old-fashioned Whig majority. The fires of '40 and '44 are beginning to burn as brightly. Maryland is good for Scott and Graham by at least three thousand."

"We learn that the Rev. William T. Eys, of Washington city, has been called to the pastorate of Rockville and Bethesda Presbyterian churches, under circumstances peculiarly flattering to him and highly gratifying to his numerous friends."

"Our wheat harvest is over, and a fair crop has been realized."

## Congress To-day.

SENATE.—Several petitions in favor of the homestead bill were presented.

Mr. Fish presented memorials from New York in favor of the recognition of the independence of Hayti.

Mr. Jones introduced his bill amendatory of the existing laws respecting the valuation of imported goods.

The Indian appropriation bill was taken up and referred to the Committee on Finance.

The resolution ordering the purchase of Catlin's collection of Indian portraits and scenes was taken up; and, after debate, it was ordered to lie on the table—yeas 26, nays 20.

A bill granting land to Louisiana to aid in the construction of a railroad in that State was taken up and ordered to be engrossed.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.—The House took up the bill giving to all incorporated railroad and plank road companies the right of way through the public lands, and considered the same until the expiration of the morning hour.

The Military Academy appropriation bill was taken up in Committee of the Whole on the state of the Union, when

Mr. Olds made a Democratic party speech, and

Mr. Bell replied, gallantly vindicating Gen. Scott.

THE TEACHINGS OF A GREAT LESSON.—The Louisville Journal makes the following forcible observations in regard to the detraction with which our public men are but too commonly assailed in their lifetime:

"It is true that Henry Clay's death has disarmed his political foes, but his glorious life should have disarmed them. There were in his life a thousand deeds that should have called forth from them, as American citizens, admiration, reverence, applause, and gratitude; but there was little else in his death than the calm and peaceful return of dust to dust."

"For more than a quarter of a century Mr. Clay was the most severely abused man and the most incessantly abused man that ever lived in this country. No other ten, twenty, or fifty men were so much abused as he. Throughout nearly the lifetime of a generation, numberless charges, for which, if they had been true, he would have deserved to be hunted out from all human society, were brought against him, and daily reiterated against him by the whole banded press, and by almost the whole banded masses of one of the great political parties of the country. And now all the charges so ferociously asserted and so obstinately persevered in—charges which nearly broke the heart of the illustrious victim, mightily as that heart was in its power of resistance to wrong—are retracted by those who uttered them, and are succeeded by the loudest and most enthusiastic praises that ever vainly fell upon the 'dull, cold ear of death.'"

"These things have their lesson. They should teach the old assailants of Henry Clay to be careful how they denounce the great living benefactors of their country. Those very men are now engaged in pursuing Gen. Winfield Scott as if he were a public enemy, entitled to no more forbearance than a traitor, a pirate, or a wild beast. Gen. Winfield Scott is an old man, and he is, in the course of a few days, will die as Henry Clay has died, and then, as in the case of Henry Clay, the savage assaults of his living fame will unite with the rest of the people of the United States in giving tears and blessings to his memory, and warmly and enthusiastically proclaim him what he is—a pure, upright, noble, and most devoted patriot, who has consecrated his life to his country, and done incomparably more than any other man now on the stage of existence for the promotion of that country's glory."

"Oh, are there not thousands, and tens of thousands, and hundreds of thousands, of honest Democrats, who will vindicate the living Scott against his infuriated traducers, instead of waiting to have 'the late remorse of love' awakened within their bosoms by the closing of the grave over all of him that is mortal?"

STUART'S PORTRAIT OF WINFIELD SCOTT.—This is universally acknowledged to be the best likeness among the many "counterfeit presentations" of that great man.

T. B. Welsh, esq., has produced an engraved copy of this portrait that, we are assured, is as perfect an imitation of Stuart's painting as it is possible to make through the agency of the engraver's art. An impression from this engraving is before us—a valued gift from Mr. Robert King, now in this city.

The excellence of the original, and the faithfulness of this copy, are attested by the evidence of E. D. Marchant, a pupil of Stuart; G. W. P. Curtis, G. M. Dallas, Edward Everett, C. L. El-Hott, Jared Sparks, R. W. Emmerson, R. B. Taney, Wm. H. Prescott, Chester Harding, Robt. C. Winthrop, Lewis Cass, P. F. Rotherwell, Washington Irving, Wm. A. Graham, John Duer, Thomas C. Upham, and John P. Kennedy.

Frames of magnificent beauty are supplied by Mr. King with this engraving.

We concur in the opinion we have heard expressed, that Congress should procure copies for the adornment of every prominent public office in the country.

PARSON BROWNLOW.—There is perhaps nowhere a better sold than this furious old gentleman. "He prints," the New York Tribune remarks, "the only Whig paper in all the Southwest that opposes General Scott, and has recently tried his hand at getting up a meeting in his own Knoxville to reject Gen. Scott's nomination. By the help of the entire lococofo party, he got up considerable of a row, but failed of his object. The meeting broke up in confusion, but he admits in his paper that the majority were for Scott."

These noisy men count no more in voting time than your even, quiet voters; though they often mislead plain, simple people before the elections.

[Communicated.]  
Small Notes.

MESSRS. EDITORS: If Congress be determined to pass an act prohibiting the issue of small notes within the District of Columbia by unchartered institutions, is it not incumbent upon that honorable body to provide a substitute? As long as silver is worth more than gold, how are the people to be accommodated?

At all events, a free banking law, similar to that of New York, based upon national and State stocks, would seem to be indispensable.

Experience has proved, the world over, that highly penal enactments, when in conflict with public interest, always become inoperative. Witness the inefficiency of the laws now on the statute-book against banking of any description.

The banks of this city are liable to a penalty of \$10,000 for issuing notes, and yet in not a single instance has there been an enforcement of this penalty.

"I HAVE SERVED THE UNION FOR FORTY-ODD YEARS, AND FEEL MYSELF A CITIZEN OF EVERY PART OF IT; AND WHATEVER OF LIFE AND STRENGTH I MAY HAVE SHALL BE DEVOTED TO ITS PRESERVATION."—General Winfield Scott's Castle Garden Speech.

## The Fire on the Capitol Grounds.

CAPITOL EXTENSION, July 20, 1882.

FRIEND CONKLEY: You have been misinformed about the fire in the lime-shed at the Capitol extension. There were about thirty barrels of lime piled in one of the cellar rooms, with a few boards on top to cover them. The water ran in through the windows on Saturday night, and at half-past 1 o'clock the boards took fire. I was immediately on the ground, with a few of my men, and put it out without the aid of the fire engine, and without a cent's loss to government. The time is just as good as when it was in barrels.

Yours, respectfully,  
SAMUEL STRONG,  
General Superintendent.

[FROM THE WASHINGTON "UNION," APRIL 10, 1847.]

## "Glorious Achievement."

"Victory follows victory in rapid succession. It was a settled maxim that we could never cease this war with honor until we had taken the castle of San Juan de Ulloa. Thanks be to our distinguished and skilful general—to his brave officers and men—to the gallant officers and men of our navy, this great achievement has been effected with little loss of life on our part. We have taken the Gibraltar of the Western Continent. We have added new laurels to our wreath. THE GRATITUDE AND ADMIRATION OF A FREE PEOPLE ARE DUE TO MAJOR GENERAL SCOTT. We congratulate our country again upon the prowess of their army and navy. In less than eleven months, a succession of achievements has poured in upon us which would grace the annals of any people under the sun. Let our countrymen rejoice, and let them pour out their thanks to the brave men who have done honor to the character of this free country."

"A feu de joie was fired this day, by Captain Mordecai, at the arsenal in this city. The manifestations of a people's joy will spread as far and as fast as the glorious news is circulated of the capture of Vera Cruz."

Affairs in Georgetown.

Georgetown, July 20—12 m.

A meeting of the Whigs of our town was held last night in the Council Chamber. On motion of W. H. Craig, Jenkin Thomas was called to the chair, and Hugh G. Divine was appointed Secretary. On taking the chair, Mr. Thomas briefly stated the object of the meeting; the high and important duties which devolve upon the Whig party; and the obligations they were under to their common country to discharge those duties. He also referred in a beautiful manner to the life and services of the brave old hero, General Scott, and congratulated the Whigs on having for their standard-bearer, in the coming contest, a man who has carried the stars and stripes of America in triumph through many a hard-fought battle—and not only discharged faithfully his duty, but adorned every position which his country has called him to occupy for more than forty years. On motion, W. H. Craig and E. S. Wright were appointed a committee to nominate permanent officers for the association. After a short recess, the committee reported the following: For president, Hugh Caperton; first vice president, Joseph Simms; second vice president, William H. Tenney; third vice president, A. Pickrel; fourth vice president, Joseph Nicholson; treasurer, Henry King; recording secretary, Hugh G. Divine; corresponding secretary, James S. Burns. They then adjourned to meet again at the same place on next Monday night at 8 o'clock.

The examination of the students of the Georgetown College came off yesterday, in the presence of a large number of invited guests. The exhibition took place this morning. At an early hour our streets were thronged with ladies and gentlemen, wending their way to this time-honored seat of learning, to enjoy a rich intellectual feast.

The examination of our public school came off yesterday in the presence of His Honor the Mayor, members of the Town Councils, the Board of Guardians, and a number of our citizens. The exercises were highly satisfactory. The examination of the female department, under Mrs. Guy, takes place this afternoon.

Several of the telegraph posts along our Water street have fallen, and the wires are being broken to pieces by vehicles and carried off by boys. In that portion of Fairfax county bordering upon the Potomac, the diarrhoea prevails very generally, and many persons have died of it.

Coroner Woodward held on yesterday an inquest over the body of an old lady by the name of Golding, 70 or 80 years of age. Verdict of the inquest: Death from disease of the heart.

We have been assured by farmers from many of the upper counties of Maryland and Virginia that the prospect of an abundant corn crop never was more flattering.

ELECTRO.

## GRAND MOONLIGHT EXCURSION!

Tuesday, July 27, 1882.

THE members of Osgood Tribe of Red Men take pleasure in stating to their friends and the public at large that they will give a moonlight excursion down the Potomac on the 27th of July, for which occasion they have chartered the large and commodious steamer Columbia.

No efforts will be spared on the part of the Committee of Arrangements to make this the most pleasant excursion of the season. A good Collier and Brass Band has been engaged. Refreshments in every variety will be furnished at city prices.

Tickets \$1 to be had at the usual places, and of the members of the Tribe.

The boat will leave Georgetown at 2 o'clock p.m., Riley's wharf, Washington, at 3; Navy Yard at 4; stopping at Alexandria going and returning.

COMMITTEE OF ARRANGEMENTS.

J. E. Johnson, J. V. Dulin, P. S. Bradley, G. Hurley, G. E. Carson, E. Sparks, G. B. Clark, W. H. Abel, J. F. Kersey, J. Indermawer, W. True, W. Biggle, W. T. Wilson, Anacostia Tribe, G. T. Allen, S. Roby, J. Webster, Tuscarora Tribe, B. F. Beale, J. Venable, T. H. Harrison, George Tribe, Alexandria, Va., H. Tappan, Mr. Edlin, Mr. Stallins, [July 20-66]

[Baltimore "Sun" copy, and send bill to this office.]

## SALEM FESTIVAL.

NOTICE.—For the accommodation of persons wishing to attend the Salem Festival on Thursday, the 2nd instant, the Gloucester Washington will leave the city at 7 o'clock a.m. Coaches leave "Horn Hotel" at 7:45 a.m. Passengers will be sure of making the connection with the cars by going in the Gloucester. The boat will return to Washington on the arrival of the cars from the Festival.

JOHN CORSON, Capt.

## GEORGETOWN FEMALE SEMINARY, GEORGETOWN, D. C.

THIS SEMINARY, so long known as Miss Engle's, will open on the 1st of September next, under the exclusive charge of Rev. W. J. Clark, who will be assisted by competent and accomplished professors and teachers in every department.

Every effort will be used to make the institution a happy home for all its inmates.

Tuition for board, including tuition in English and Mathematics, \$200 per annum, payable half-yearly in advance. Music, Ancient and Modern Languages, Drawing and Painting, extra. Circulars, containing the terms in full, may be had on application to the Principal, or at the office of the Principal, WILLIAM J. CLARK, July 20-66

## Distribution of Premiums at the Academy of the Visitation, Convent Place, in Washington, July 19, 1882.

The order of performance, with the list of premiums allotted to the ladies who, by their diligence in their studies, and the excellence of their deportment, have deserved special rewards:

Grand Russian March, (France), performed on two harps, by Misses Mary E. Callan and Alice Causton; on piano, by Miss Anna King and Adelaide Vivan.

Lucerna Borgia, (Brunner), on piano, by Misses Alice Causton and Augusta Scott; and on two harps.

Premiums in Sacred History.

The first premiums in the first class were awarded to Misses Florence Washington, Helen Schreiner, and Sarah Duval; second premium, Miss Emma Brown.

Second Class.—First premiums, Misses Isadore Middleton, Alice Causton, and Sophia Washington.

The following young ladies deserved to be mentioned for attention: Misses Jane Wetherill, Minnie Turpin, Florence Wetherill, Mary A. Cresser, Ellen Wetherill, Arlene Wirt, Amanda Daugherty, Alice Gummel, and Martha Watts.

Christian Doctrine.

First Class.—First premium, Miss Catherine McCarthy; second premium, Miss Margaret Lerner and Sarah Wise; third premium, Miss Margaret A. Callan.

Second Class.—First premiums, Misses Carrie Bibb, Jane Faherty, and Charlotte Cox; second premiums, Misses Adelaide Lerner and Martina Mattingly.

Third Class.—First premiums, Misses Sarah Kennedy, Elizabeth Rumpf, Clementina Simms, and Sarah Causton; second premiums, Misses Mary Eck, Anna Moore, Mary Tucker, Lucerna Kerr, Sarah Daly, and Anna Doyle; third premium, Misses Kate O'Donoghue and Catherine Clements.

Fourth Class.—First premium, Miss Elizabeth Granger; second premium, Misses Emma Noyes, Emma Henning, Maria Briggs, Agnes Irving, Senna Mattingly, Mary Keating, Charlotte Davis, and Adelaide Vivan; third premium, Misses Mary Marron, Ellen O'Donoghue, Anna King, Elizabeth Murray, and Margaret Barry.

Fifth Class.—First premiums, Misses Mary Butler, Virginia Sweeney, Emma Hill, Jane Redfern, Georgiana Simms, Anna Clare Dorsey, Edmonia Brook, Virginia Shekel, and Philomena Nally.

Sixth Class.—First premiums, Misses Laura Laub, Virginia Clare, Mary E. Scott, and Josephine Wirt; second premium, Misses Mary Semmes, Kate Noyes, Catherine McGowan, and Genevieve Carusi.

Seventh Class.—First premiums, Misses Catherine Jones, Alice Gaudier, and Kate Gaudier; second premiums, Misses Mary Ann Jole, Mary Angela Dorsey, Fannie Simms, Alice Lee, Elias Sweeney, and Nettie Carvallo.

Memorae O Virgo Maria, (Lambert), on two harps; on piano, by Miss A. Causton—sung by Misses Anna Bibb, Mary E. Callan, Carrie Bibb, Martha Wetherill, Marion Hogan, Sarah Wetherill, Adelaide Clare, Charlotte Cox, Jane Faherty, Charlotte Davis, J. Middleton, S. Kerr, H. Schreiner, A. Duval, A. Dooley, C. McCarthy, and Mary Tucker.

Profane History, Chemistry, Botany, and Mythology.

First Class.—First premium, Miss Florence Washington; second premium, Miss H. Schreiner; third premium, Miss J. Brown.

Second Class.—First premiums, Misses S. Duval and J. Middleton; second premium, Miss A. Causton; premiums for improvement, Misses C. Bibb, J. Taylor, and Mary Williams.

Third Class.—First premiums, Misses S. Kennedy and L. Wirt; second premiums, Misses C. Cox and C. Simms.

The following young ladies deserved to be mentioned for attention: Misses A. Dooley, A. Moore, Mary Eck, C. Davis, and Mary A. Cresser.

Profane History and Natural Philosophy.

Division of the Class.—First premium, Miss E. Rumpf; second premium, Misses M. Turpin and A. Irving; third premium, Misses M. Marron and S. Causton. A premium for attention to study during the short time that she had been at the Academy was awarded to Miss Elizabeth Owens.

Fourth Class.—First premium, Miss S. O'Donoghue; second premium, Misses M. Keating and C. O'Donoghue; third premium, Misses E. Murray and S. Mattingly; premiums for improvement, Misses S. Woodward and Virginia Fennell.

The following young ladies deserved to be mentioned for attention: Misses M. Briggs, A. Dougherty, Ellen O'Donoghue, and Arlene Wirt.

Fifth Class.—First premiums, Misses Mary Lieberman, M. Butler, and J. Redfern; second premiums, Misses E. Hill and G. Simms.

Division of the Class.—First premiums, Misses V. Shekel, E. Henning, and P. Nally; second premium, Miss J. Young; a premium for improvement, Miss G. Carusi.

Natural Philosophy.

Sixth Class.—First premium, Misses Virginia Lee and Mary Woodward; second premiums, Misses J. Jones and K. Gaudier.

Our Happy Home, (Nelson), on harp, by Miss Mary E. Callan; sung by Misses Martha Wetherill, Anna Bibb, and Sarah Wetherill.

Brail Bo (Boche), on two harps, by Misses Mary E. Callan and M. Hoban; on piano, by Miss A. Causton.

Grammar, Rhetoric, and Composition.

First Class.—First premium in prose composition, and second in grammar and rhetoric, Miss M. Lerner; first premium in grammar and rhetoric, and second in prose composition, Miss F. Washington; second premium in grammar and rhetoric, and third in prose composition, Miss H. Schreiner; the premium in poetical compositions is Miss Marion Hoban.

Second Class.—First premium in prose composition, and third in grammar and rhetoric, Miss M. Hoban; second premium in prose composition, grammar, and rhetoric, Miss Carrie Bibb; third premium in prose composition, and first in grammar and rhetoric, Misses S. Duval and J. Middleton.

Third Class.—First premium, Miss S. Kerr; second premium, Miss Carrie Bibb; third premium, Misses C. Davis and A. Dooley; a premium for improvement to Miss C. Simms.

Division of the Class.—First premium, Miss E. Rumpf; second premium, Misses M. Turpin and M. Tucker; third premium, Misses S. Causton and F. Sergeant.

Fourth Class.—First premiums, Misses S. Woodward, M. Keating, and S. Waddington; second premiums, Misses M. Briggs and C. O'Donoghue; third premium, Misses E. O'Donoghue, M. Barry, C. Clements, and E. Wetherill.

Orthography, Grammar, and Composition.

Fifth Class.—First premiums, Misses S. Woodward, M. Keating, and S. Waddington; second premiums, Misses M. Briggs and C. O'Donoghue; third premium, Misses E. O'Donoghue, M. Barry, C. Clements, and E. Wetherill.

Orthography, Reading, and Grammar.

Sixth Class.—First premiums, Misses M. Lieberman and M. Butler; second premiums, Misses V. Clare and M. S. Scott; premiums for improvement in spelling and reading, Misses Ida Potter and Mary A. Jole.

The following young ladies deserved to be mentioned for attention: Misses A. C. Dorsey and E. Brooks.

When Night comes o'er the Plain, (Nelson), on two guitars, by Misses Anna Bibb and Carrie Bibb.

My Mountain Home, (Brown), on piano, by Miss A. Dooley, and on two harps; sung by Misses Anna Bibb, M. E. Callan, C. Bibb, M. Wetherill, M. Hoban, S. Wetherill, A. J. Clare, C. Cox, J. Faherty, C. Davis, J. Middleton, L. Kerr, H. Schreiner, S. Duval, A. Dooley, C. McCarthy, and M. Tucker.

Ancient and Modern Geography and Astronomy.

First Class.—First premium, Miss F. Washington; second premium, Miss Margaret A. Callan.

Modern Geography and Astronomy.

Division of the Class.—First premium, Miss J. Middleton; second premium, Miss C. McCarthy; third premium, Miss S. Wirt.

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